

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A document filing folder comprising:
a cover including an anterior sheet and a posterior sheet;
a binding joining the anterior and posterior sheets; and
notebook pages securely connected to the binding, wherein a first sheet of the anterior and posterior sheets includes:

first and second flaps respectively located along opposed lower and upper edges of the first sheet;

a third flap extending along an entire lateral edge of the first sheet, each of the first, second and third flaps having a first position folded, successively, towards an interior side of the first sheet, and each of the first, second and third flaps having a second position folded away from an interior side of the first sheet, wherein the notebook pages are in storage under the first, second and third flaps that are each in the first position and the notebook pages are fully accessible from the first, second and third flaps that are each in the second position; and

closing means for keeping the filing folder closed with the notebook pages between the anterior and posterior sheets, the closing means including a rubber band attached to the first sheet, sliding relative to the first sheet through eyelets, and which can be placed over at least one corner of a second of the anterior sheet and the posterior sheet or which can be placed over the second sheet parallel to the binding,

wherein the binding includes a spiral, enabling the notebook pages to be moved to a position flat directly against the first sheet with the flaps in the second position and stored flat against the first sheet with the flaps folded toward the interior side of the first sheet with notebook pages under the first and second flaps.

2. (Previously Presented) The filing folder according to claim 1, wherein the first sheet with the flaps is the posterior sheet.

Claims 3-5 (Cancelled).

6. (Previously Presented) The filing folder according to claim 2, wherein the binding includes a spiral, enabling the notebook pages to be stored flat against the first sheet with the flaps folded toward the interior side of the first sheet with notebook pages under the first and second flaps.

Claims 7-12 (Cancelled).

13. (Previously Presented) The document filing folder according to claim 1, wherein a first portion of the notebook pages are in storage under the first and second flaps that are both in the first position and a second portion of the notebook pages are accessible and are positioned above the first portion of the notebook pages and above the first and second flaps that are both in the first position and the first portion of the notebook pages is accessible from the first and second flaps that are both in the second position.

Claim 14 (Cancelled).

15. (Withdrawn) A method of storing and accessing notebook pages in a document filing folder comprising:

placing notebook pages within a cover including an anterior sheet and a posterior sheet and placing the notebook pages between the anterior sheet and the posterior sheet, wherein a first sheet of the anterior and posterior sheets comprises a first flap along one of lower and upper edges of the first sheet and a second flap along a lateral edge of the first sheet;

joining the anterior and posterior sheets to a binding;

securely connecting the notebook pages to the binding;

storing the notebook pages by folding the first and second flaps towards an interior side of the first sheet and placing the notebook pages between the interior side of the first sheet and the folded first and second flaps; and

accessing the notebook pages by unfolding the first and second flaps away from the stored notebook pages and the interior side of the first sheet.

16. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15, wherein the first sheet further comprises a third flap along one of lower and upper edges of the first sheet and the method further comprises:

storing the notebook pages by folding the third flap towards an interior side of the first sheet and placing the notebook pages between the interior side of the first sheet and the folded third flap; and

accessing the notebook pages by unfolding the third flap away from the stored notebook pages and the interior side of the first sheet.

17. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15, further comprising closing the document filing folder with the notebook pages between the anterior and posterior sheets, wherein the first sheet includes a rubber band attached to the first sheet through eyelets and the method further comprises placing the rubber band over at least one corner of the second of the anterior sheet and the posterior sheet.

18. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15, further comprising closing the document filing folder with the notebook pages between the anterior and posterior sheets, wherein the first sheet includes a rubber band attached to the first sheet through eyelets and the method further comprises placing the rubber band parallel to the binding.

19. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15, comprising storing the notebook pages flat over the first sheet.